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DOH-WALTON UPDATES POSITIVE CASES OF COVID-19 AND CURRENT VACCINATION AND TESTING APPOINTMENT INFORMATION



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DeFuniak Springs, Fla. –

Walk-up/No appointment needed for this week's Covid-19 Vaccination Clinics. A grocery gift certificate valued at \$15 will be given to individuals that receive a Covid-19 vaccination (while supplies last).

- **Tuesday, September 21, 2021 10:00 A.M.– 12:00 P.M. 1st and 2nd doses of Moderna and Pfizer vaccine**
DeFuniak Springs – DeFuniak Springs Community Center 361 North 10th street, DeFuniak Springs, FL 32433
- **Friday, September 24, 2021 10:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M 1st and 2nd doses of Moderna and Pfizer vaccine**
DOH-Walton - Coastal Branch Clinic, 361 Green Way Trail, Santa Rosa Beach, FL

Florida residents and any individual in Florida who is present in Florida for the purpose of providing goods or services for the benefit of residents and visitors of the state is eligible to be vaccinated.

The COVID-19 vaccines continue to be vital to ending the pandemic, including combating the recent case increases nationally and globally. Vaccine benefits include:

- Significantly reduces the risk of contracting the virus even if you are exposed.
- Teaching your body how to fight the virus.
- Reducing the risk of severe symptoms, hospitalization, and death if you contract the virus.
- Minimizing the ability for the virus to spread, especially to our most vulnerable populations.
- Fighting against emerging variants that can cause worse symptoms and spread.

Persons may also receive a vaccination at several other Walton County locations. Please check the state vaccine locator at www.floridahealthcovid19.gov/vaccines/vaccine-locator/ for your nearest location.

What to do if you are sick? As cases increase, individuals should continue to watch for COVID-19 symptoms, **especially if unvaccinated. If you are vaccinated and develop symptoms of COVID-19**, you should keep your distance and be evaluated by your health care provider and get tested. You can find testing locations [Florida COVID-19 Testing Sites | Florida Department of Health COVID-19 Outbreak \(floridahealthcovid19.gov\)](http://Florida COVID-19 Testing Sites | Florida Department of Health COVID-19 Outbreak (floridahealthcovid19.gov))

DOH-Walton/Walton Community Health Center conducts free COVID-19 testing in DOH-Walton locations in Santa Rosa Beach and DeFuniak Springs by appointment only. Call 850-401-6453 to schedule a testing appointment only. Antibody tests are not available.

Monoclonal Antibody Therapy Treatments are available now. Monoclonal Antibody Treatments (MAB) for Covid-19 can prevent severe illness, hospitalization and death among high-risk individuals. This treatment is available widely in Florida. Individuals 12 years and older who are high-risk, that have contracted or been exposed to Covid-19, are eligible for this treatment. Treatment is free and vaccination status does not matter. For location information go to [FloridaHealthCOVID19.gov](https://www.floridahealth.gov/covid-19).

Demographic information on COVID-19 cases due to ongoing epidemiological investigations, are provisional and subject to change: For the week of September 10 through September 16, there were 264 new Walton County cases reported. Walton County resident total cases 11,359. The Covid 19 weekly situation report may be found at [FloridaHealthCOVID19.gov](https://www.floridahealth.gov/covid-19). Additional information may also be found at [CDC COVID Data Tracker](https://www.cdc.gov/covid19/).

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To find the most up-to-date information and guidance on COVID-19, please visit the Department of Health's dedicated COVID-19 website at [FloridaHealthCOVID19.gov](https://www.floridahealth.gov/covid-19). For any other questions related to COVID-19 in Florida, call (866) 779-6121. The Call Center is available 24 hours per day or email COVID-19@flhealth.gov.

For information and advisories from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), please visit the CDC COVID-19 website at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>.

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